PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the application of:

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Jack A. Zeineh et al.

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For: METHOD FOR PRODUCING AN OPTIMAL IMAGE OF A MICROSCOPE SLIDE

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF PERIOD FOR RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR § 1.136(a)

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.136(a), an extension of time of two (2) months (from January 12, 2008 to March 12, 2008) within which to respond to the Office Action dated October 12, 2007 is requested. The Commissioner is authorized to charge to Deposit Account No. 16-0631 the extension fees and any underpayments, overpayments or additional required fees.

Respectfully submitted,

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Please grant any extension of time necessary for entry; charge any fee due to Deposit Account No. 16-0631.